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1. OF POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO CONSIDERATION OF GOC CLAIMS IN ANTARCTIC IS RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENSION TO CREATE PROVINCE OF CHILEAN ANTARCTICA (ANTARTIDA CHILENA) WITH CAPITAL AT PUERTO WILLIAMS.

2. DECREE LAW 575 OF JUNTA, EFFECTIVE JULY 13, 1974, CREATED 12 NEW REGIONAL GROUPINGS OF PROVINCES AND ESTABLISHED REGION 12 WITH CAPITAL AT PUNTA ARENAS, TO INCLUDE THE PROVINCE OF MAGALLANES AND THE QUOTE CHILEAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY (TERRITORIO ANTARTICO CHILENO) END QUOTE.

3. ON MAY 30, 1975, GOC ANNOUNCED PLANS TO FURTHER SUBDIVIDE REGIONS, AND TO AMEND DL 575 TO SUBSTITUTE NAME QUOTE CHILEAN ANTARCTICA END QUOTE, DROPPING WORD TERRITORY. ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO INDICATED THAT NEW DECREE LAW IS TO BE PUBLISHED BY END OF JUNE WHICH WILL, AMONG OTHER CHANGES, SUBDIVIDE REGION 12 TO INCLUDE FOUR PROVINCES: ULTIMA
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ESPERANZA, CAPITAL PUERTO NATALES; MAGALLANES, CAPITAL PUNTA

ARENAS; TIERRA DEL FUEGO, CAPITAL PORVENIR; AND CHILEAN
ANTAPCTIC, CAPITAL PUERTO WILLIAMS.

4. CHILEAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY, WHICH AS FAR AS WE KNOW
HAS BEEN ADMINISTERED DIRECTLY FROM SANTIAGO, THUS APPARENTLY
WILL BECOME PROVINCE OF CHILEAN ANTARCTIC ADMINISTERED FROM
OWN CAPITAL AT PUERTO WILLIAMS, REPORTING UP THROUGH
REGIONAL GOVERNMENT TO NATIONAL LEVEL. WE WILL TRY TO
OBTAIN AND REPORT GOC VIEW OF WHAT CHANGE MAY SIGNIFY IN
TERMS OF CLAIMS IN ANTARCTIC.

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